



SCB Newsletter December 9, 2024

"The Immaculate Conception shines like a beacon of light for humanity in all the ages. - Saint John Paul II

SCB Families,

As we begin our second trimester, and move into the second week of Advent, there is considerable excitement in the air. Christmas is coming and all of the joy of the season is in the hallways at St. Charles.

One of the things we are excited to announce is that we will be gradually transitioning to online report cards, beginning this trimester with our middle school students. This move is part of our commitment to improving the accessibility and efficiency of our report card and grading systems. We will keep you updated as we continue to expand this transition across grade levels throughout this year.



It is hard to believe that we are already in the midst of planning for next school year. As we prepare for the upcoming academic year, we wanted to inform you that re-enrollment for the Fall of 2025 will open in a couple of weeks. The re-enrollment process will be available for completion through mid-January. We encourage you to complete the necessary steps at your earliest convenience to ensure a smooth transition into the next school year. Detailed instructions will be sent to you shortly, along with our new tuition rates for next year, but should you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to our office.

I hope to see you all at the Christmas pageant this week, and for cookies and cocoa with Santa in Feist Hall. I hope the Advent season has been a blessed one for your families.

Blessings and prayers to you and yours,

St. Charles Borromeo, pray for us.

Beth O'Reilly
Principal, SCB

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School Happenings

Upcoming Events:

December:

December 11 - Middle School Mass NEW DATE!

December 11 - Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal @
1:30PM

December 12 - Christmas Pageant and Advent Tree Festival
@ 7PM

December 13 - Christmas Sweater Day

December 14 - Choir sings at the Grotto in Portland, OR

December 17 - SCOPE Christmas Gathering

December 19 - School Commission Meeting @ 5PM

December 20 - All School Mass

December 20 - Noon Dismissal - No After School Care

December 23 - January 3 - Christmas Break - No School

December 31 - Financial Aid Applications Due



Please see the following link for the detailed school calendar:

['24-'25 Detailed School Calendar](#)

Spread Joy, Give Hope Annual Fund Campaign

**Spread Joy,
Give Hope-**

Supporting our St. Charles Students

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION ANNUAL FUND 2024-2025

Ways to Give:

- You received a donation/pledge card in the mail earlier this fall with a letter requesting your participation. Your contribution can be made at any time.
- We gladly accept cash, checks, credit cards, stock transfers, and company matched gifts.

- Do donate online, give the button below:

Every donation is important!

Many small donations become a large donation. You might also consider a monthly donation over the next 6 months; a donation of \$25 a month becomes \$150 after 6 months.

All donations, whether large or small, are needed and welcomed!

Thank You!

Our current total is:

\$123,450

for the 2024-2025 Annual Fund!



Donate to our Spread Joy, Give Hope Annual Fund Campaign

More SCB News and Information



Quick Notes:

Christmas Sweater Day:

This Friday, December 13th, it Christmas Sweater Day at SCB! Students are allowed to wear their favorite Christmas Sweater.

Santa Grams:

Send your friends Santa Grams! All Santa Grams are due Wednesday, December 11th. Forms went home in Friday Folders before the Thanksgiving Break.

Lunch Menu:

Please see the lunch menu online: [December Lunch Menu](#)

Virtus (Safe Environment) Training:

In order to volunteer on campus, you must have completed the Virtus Training. If you have completed the initial training, be sure to log into your account to make sure you are up to date with the background check and all modules! Please visit the following link to get started: [Virtus Training](#)

SCB Social:

Please also send us your photos/videos of your child participating in any school related events, extra-curricular activities or on an adventure to scbsocial@stcharlesb.org We love highlighting our students!

Christmas Pageant & Advent Tree Festival

Join us this Thursday evening for our Christmas

Pageant and Advent Tree Festival.

Toddlers - Pre-K can come early at 5 PM to enjoy our Advent trees, have a cookie, and visit with Santa in Feist Hall.

For our Kindergarten - 4th Grade Students, please see below for Christmas Pageant Information:

- Location: St. Charles Borromeo Church
- Arrival Time: 6:30 PM (students meet their classroom teacher in their classroom)
- Pageant Begins at 7:00 PM
- Dress Code: Nice concert attire



After the evening performance, students will return to their classrooms, where they will be checked out to their parents by their classroom teacher.

Families are then welcome to join everyone in Feist Hall to enjoy the Advent trees, refreshments and meet with Santa.

We look forward to celebrating this special season with you and showcasing the hard work of our talented students!

Boys Scout Wreaths Still Available

The Boy Scouts have a limited number of wreaths left! If you are interested in purchasing one, please visit the following website: [Purchase your wreath here!](#)



SCB Gives Back



Snack Bars Donations

We are also collecting snack crackers for the month of December to support the St. Charles' and St. Leo's Food Banks.

Help **St. Charles Borromeo Parish** and **Santa for Seniors** bring JOY to our senior communities through our

Holiday Sock Drive!

We would love to receive soft, cozy socks to add to the holiday gift bags we share with isolated seniors!

Socks that work best are:

Unisex Sized

Cozy and Stretchy

Non-Slip



**Help us reach our goal of
1,000 donated socks!**

Sign Up for Our
Newsletter:



For more information about supporting isolated seniors in the Puget Sound, email: SantaforSeniorsNW.org



SCOPE

SCOPE is our parent/teacher organization.
SCOPE stands for St. Charles Organization of Parents & Educators.

This is a great way to get involved in the school and community, find out about events, and meet new families. We would love for you to join us!



Get your tickets now!

**Brown Bear Car Wash Tickets are
available this Friday!**

Purchase your Berry Clean Carwash



**Join us for SCOPE's Christmas Gathering
at Katie Downs!**

Join us Tuesday, December 17th for our

Tickets for your Stocking Stuffers this Christmas!

Each ticket costs \$12 and St. Charles keeps \$9.50!

Order forms will be in this week's Friday Folders!

Annual Christmas Gathering

This is open to all St. Charles' parents and guardians.

Let us know you are coming by RSVP'ing [here!](#)

Regal Movie Tickets

Get your Regal Movie Ticket Bundles to support St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School for \$30.00 per order!

Bundle Includes: 2 Movie Tickets redeemable at any Regal location nationwide.

Order Regal Movie Ticket Bundles Supporting St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School!



SCOPE Volunteer Opportunities

Brown Bear Car Wash Ticket Sales at Mass:

Sell Brown Bear Tickets before and after weekend masses:
Car Wash Ticket Sales

Open Positions for the 2024-2025 School Year:

We have several ways to get involved. If you are interested in serving in any of the open positions, please sign up here:

[SCOPE Open Positions](#)

SCB Goes Gatsby Information

Presented by Patriot Fire Protection

Volunteer Hours: Gift Wrapping & Wrapping Paper / Ribbon Purchasing

Purchase \$25 worth of requested wrapping paper and you can earn 1 volunteer hour!

You can receive a maximum of 2 hours from this opportunity.

Gift Wrapping List:

Red Tartan Wrapping Paper

Green Wrapping Paper



Silver Foil Wrapping Paper
Blue Nutcracker Wrapping Paper
Red & White Wrapping Paper
Pink Nutcracker Wrapping Paper
Red Nutcracker Wrapping Paper
Pink Christmas Tree Wrapping Paper
Green Christmas Tree Wrapping Paper
Dark Green Reversible Wrapping Paper
Costco White Wired Ribbon
Costco Red Wired Ribbon
Costco Metallic Wired Ribbon

If you are interested in helping with gift wrapping, please see our Sign-Up Genius: [St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School: Auction Gift Wrapping](#)



The Auction Registry is now LIVE!

It is a great time to mark your auction donation off your list of things to do! With all the Cyber Monday deals, check out our Auction Registry and take care of your auction requirement before the holidays!

[SCB Goes Gatsby Auction Registry](#)

Glassybaby Infusion Drinker

Looking for the perfect Christmas gift? This year, the SCB Goes Gatsby auction is offering the Infusion drinker.

Cost: \$100 (including tax and delivery to SCB)
We currently have 40 Infusion Drinkers available.

Purchases are available for pick up immediately in the Advancement Office!

[Purchase Your Infusion Glassybaby Drinker Here!](#)



Auction Most Wanted Items for December Restaurant Gifts of \$100 value or more

We are looking for restaurant gift cards valued at \$100 or more.

Some ideas include: Anthony's, Bar Bistro, Brix 25, Copper & Salt, El Gaucho, Farm 12, The Koi, Le Sel Bistro, Moctezuma's, The Powder Room, Primo Grill, Stanley & Seaforts

If you are willing to make a donation, please complete our online form [here](#):

Sanity Skin

Celebrate the season of giving with Sanity Skin!
You get 15% off your order and Sanity Skin will give
15% to SCB. Orders will be delivered to St. Charles.

This makes a great Christmas gift!

<https://sanityskinproducts.com/>



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Auction Sponsorships are Available!



Auction Sponsorship Packets were sent home in Friday Folders. We have both Auction Underwriting Sponsorships and Event Night Sponsorships Available.

For more information, you can also visit our sponsorship page on the auction website: [Auction Sponsorship Opportunities](#)

SCB Athletics



Basketball Season is underway for all!

Middle School boys games are all on [Athletics Schedule](#)

Middle School girls will begin January 6th, 2025. Rosters are closed and teams are created.

Jamboree for teams for 2nd - 5th grade teams is scheduled on 12/14. Coaches have game schedules.

2025-2026 Enrollment Open House Information



Enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year is open for new students!

Applications have opened for new students for the 2025-2026 academic year. We will open reenrollment for current students after Christmas.

If you have a new student who you would like to enroll for the 2025-2026 school year, please be sure to fill out an application for them. This includes siblings of current students.

[Apply here!](#)

Open House Information

If you know anyone who is interested in St. Charles, please encourage them to attend one of our Open Houses.

These are for students from Toddler - 8th grade.



OPEN HOUSE DATES

2024	2025
OCTOBER 15TH	JANUARY 7TH
OCTOBER 29TH	JANUARY 21ST
NOVEMBER 12TH	FEBRUARY 4TH
NOVEMBER 19TH	MARCH 4TH
DECEMBER 3RD	MARCH 11TH
DECEMBER 10TH	
DECEMBER 17TH	

Join us!

ALL OPEN HOUSES ARE FROM 9AM-11AM.
EVENING TOURS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.



Financial Aid Applications are open for the 2025-2026 School Year

All applicants for tuition scholarships must complete the online **FACTS Grant & Aid** application by December 31, 2024 for the 2025-2026 school year for Fulcrum scholarships.

The application will be posted on the Fulcrum Foundation's website on October 1, 2024. Please

click [here](#) to be directed to the online application.

SCB Volunteer Opportunities

2024-2025 Volunteer Opportunities

- **Playground:** Volunteer to Help on the Playground
- **Tot Lot Playground:** Volunteer to Help on the Tot Lot Playground
- **Health Room:** Volunteer to Help in the Health Room
- **Lunch Room:** Volunteer to Help in the Lunch Room
- **Basketball Scoring:** Volunteer to Help Score Basketball Games
- **Parish Office Help:** If you are interested in helping in the Parish Office, please contact Cathy Lamet at 253-564-5185 ext. 3011



Counselor Corner



If you would like your student to spend time with Mrs. Nelson, please fill out the **Counseling Request Form**

If you are interested in getting a referral through our Care Solace partnership, please contact Mrs. Nelson.



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